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S E C R E T JERUSALEM 2097

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, MARR, UNSC, IS, LE, XF

SUBJECT: SOUTH LEBANON: CRISIS AT KAWKABA - SITUATION AS KNOWN TO  
UN IN JERUSALEM 1500 LOCAL AUGUST 2

REF: STATE 194462

1. AS AUTHORIZED REFTEL, I FILLED IN UNHQ JERUSALEM ON  
APPROACHES WE WOULD BE MAKING IN BEIRUT AND JERUSALEM. PRIETO'S  
THINKING HAD BEEN EVOLVING ALONG SIMILAR LINES AND I WAS  
TOLD AT MIDNIGHT AUGUST 1 HE SENT CABLE TO ERSKINE AT NAQUORA  
URGING UNIFIL PROCEED ESSENTIALLY ALONG LINES WE ENVISAGED. ERSKINE  
AKCNLWLEDGED MESSAGE AND THANKED PRIETO.

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2. EARLY MORNING AUGUST 2, EIGHT ROUNDS WERE FIRED FROM  
CHRISTIAN AREAS IN DIRECTION OF KAWKABA.

3. HADDAD SENT WORD NEPBATT WAS TO EVACUATE KAWKABA  
PRIOR TO HIS OPENING FIRE ON LAF. ALTERNATIVELY, LAF  
COULD WITHDRAW.

4. UN REPLIED UNIFIL UNITS WOULD NOT MOVE NOR WOULD LAF WITHDRAW AND WARNED HADDAD TO HOLD HIS FIRE.

5. TWO MEETINGS HAVE BEEN HELD IN THE AREA; ONE LAST NIGHT AND ONE MORNING AUGUST 2 BETWEEN HADDAD, UN, AND SOME MEMBERS OF LAF. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHAT WAS DISCUSSED OR WHAT DECISIONS WERE TAKEN, IF ANY.

6. ERSKINE HAS REQUESTED URGENT MEETING WITH WEIZMAN, WHICH UN HQ JERUSALEM TRYING TO ARRANGE LATE THIS AFTER-NOON OR TOMORROW.

7. AIME IS REPORTEDLY IN BEIRUT PRESUMABLY TO URGE GOL TO ACCEPT WEIZMAN'S CONDITIONS WHILE LEAVING ASIDE HADDAD PROBLEM FOR TIME BEING.

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